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audio file, and wherein comparing includes determining whether the audio input matches the stored audio file;

reactivating the continuous listening mode at the dock when it is determined that the audio input does not match the stored audio file;

transmitting a message requesting activation of a voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device when it is determined that the audio input matches the stored audio file, wherein the message is transmitted using a communication interface of the dock, and wherein when the message is received at the portable electronic device, the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device is activated; and

deactivating the continuous listening mode of the dock when the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device is activated.

9. The dock of claim 8, wherein the operations further include detecting additional audio input at the microphone integrated within the housing of the dock.

10. The dock of claim 9, wherein the operations further include transmitting the additional audio input using the communication interface of the dock.

11. The dock of claim 8, wherein the operations further include providing an indication that the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device has been activated.

12. The dock of claim 8, wherein the operations further include performing an initial setup process before activating the continuous listening mode on the dock.

13. The dock of claim 8, wherein the operations further include, transmitting, by the dock, an authentication message to the portable electronic device via the communication interface of the dock.

14. The dock of claim 8, wherein the operations further include the dock receiving a message from the portable electronic device via the communication interface, the message indicating deactivation of the voice recognition mode of the portable electronic device.

15. A system comprising:

a portable electronic device including:

a portable electronic device processor; and

a portable electronic device electrical connector coupled to the portable electronic device processor;

a dock including:

a dock connector configured to mate with the portable electronic device connector;

one or more dock processors coupled to the dock connector; and

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a dock memory containing instructions that, when executed by the one or more dock processors cause the one or more dock processors to perform operations including:

activating a continuous listening mode on the dock; detecting audio input at a microphone integrated within a housing of the dock;

comparing the audio input to a stored audio file, wherein comparing is done at the dock, wherein the continuous listening mode on the dock is deactivated while the audio input is being compared to the stored audio file, and wherein comparing includes determining whether the audio input matches the stored audio file;

reactivating the continuous listening mode at the dock when it is determined that the audio input does not match the stored audio file;

transmitting a message requesting activation of a voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device when it is determined that the audio input matches the stored audio file, wherein the message is transmitted using a communication interface of the dock, and wherein when the message is received at the portable electronic device, the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device is activated; and

deactivating the continuous listening mode of the dock when the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device is activated.

16. The system of claim 15, wherein the operations further include detecting additional audio input at the microphone integrated within the housing of the dock.

17. The system of claim 16, wherein the operations further include transmitting the additional audio input using the communication interface of the dock.

18. The system of claim 15, wherein the operations further include providing an indication that the voice recognition mode on the portable electronic device has been activated.

19. The system of claim 15, wherein the operations further include performing an initial setup process before activating the continuous listening mode on the dock.

20. The system of claim 15, wherein the operations further include the dock receiving a message from the portable electronic device via the communication interface, the message indicating deactivation of the voice recognition mode of the portable electronic device.

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